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river from its headwaters to Long Island Sound. He quotes the tribute that Timothy Dwight paid to the greatest of New England streams when he wrote in part:

This stream may perhaps with more propriety than any other in the world be named the Beautiful River. From Stuart to the Sound it uniformly maintains this character. The purity, salubrity, and sweetness of its waters; the frequency and elegance of its meanders; its absolute freedom from aquatic vegetables; the uncommon and universal beauty of its banks, here a smooth and winding beach, there covered with rich verdure, now fringed with bushes, now covered with lofty trees, and now formed by the intruding hill, the rude bluff and the shaggy mountain, are objects which no traveller can thoroughly describe and no reader can adequately imagine.

The author is to be congratulated upon this result of his painstaking research and literary effort. He has well described and adequately told the story of the River Beautiful throughout its 350 miles from mountain to sea. Nothing has been left undone by the publishers to make the large book attractive. It is unexceptionable in paper, typography, and illustrations. Sized paper is reserved for the full-page photographs, so that the eye is not constantly affronted with glaze, and the book is not so heavy that handling it is a kind of muscular exercise which should be reserved for athletics.

**Die Herero. Ein Beitrag zur Landes-, Volks-, und Missionskunde.**

**Von Missionar I. Irle.** viii and 352 pp. 56 Illustrations, Map and Index.

C. Bertelsmann, Gütersloh, 1906. (Price, M. 5.)

The author was engaged in missionary work among the Herero in German Southwest Africa for thirty-four years. The veteran pioneer wrote this careful and full account of the country and people in great sadness of heart, because many of the fruits of his hard labours for a generation were swept away by the recent war, which resulted in the terrible punishment of the natives. The book is written with conservative judgment and fulness of detail. About a tenth of it is given to an excellent description of the geographical features of the land; the second section to the Herero, in which their history, character, speech, and religion are described, and special attention is given to their family life, social condition, arts, and customs. The Bergdamara and Bushmen, the trade, the wars, and German rule are described in the same section, and the concluding third of the book is devoted to missionary work among the Herero.

**Erdkunde für höhere Lehranstalten. Von Dr. Adolf Pahde.**

(III Teil: Mittelstufe, zweites Stück.) Second edition. v and 172 pp., 14 Illustrations, and Index.

This part of Dr. Pahde's text-book deals with the oceans and all the continents, excepting Europe, and there is a special section on the German colonies. It is more full of information than even our own text-books. A notable and commendable feature is the insistence that school atlases shall be used in connection with the text. There are very few pages on which the student is not referred to one or another of the leading German school atlases to study the cartographic delineation of facts given in the text.

**THE HANDY WORLD ATLAS AND GAZETTEER.** 120 Maps, and a Gazetteer. Frederick Warne & Co., New York (not dated). (Price, 40c.)

A pocket atlas, of which the maps were made by Bartholomew, Edinburgh, and are good for the small scale. The European countries, and especially Great Britain and Ireland, have many more pages than any other lands, showing that